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IN THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Kurt LANGEN

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Application No. 10/632,962

Group 1746

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Examiner Joseph L Perrin

DEVICE AND PROCESS FOR LIQUID  
TREATMENT OF WAFER-SHAPED ARTICLES

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION  
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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August 30, 2005

Sir:

This is a "Request for Continued Examination" under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114, the provisions of which do not apply to:

(1) A provisional application; (2) An application for a utility or plant patent filed under 35 U.S.C. 111(a) before June 8, 1995; (3) An international application filed under 35 U.S.C. §363 before June 8, 1995; (4) An application for a design patent; or (5) A patent under reexamination.

☒ This Request for Continued Examination is being filed prior to the earliest of:

(1) Payment of the issue fee, unless a petition under §1.313 is granted; (2) Abandonment of the application; or (3) The filing of a notice of appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit under 35 U.S.C. § 141, or the commencement of civil action under 35 U.S.C. §§ 145 or 146, unless the appeal or civil action is terminated.

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☒ **Submission Required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114:**

Enter as part of the present submission:

☐ An After Final Amendment previously filed on, under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 but unentered, in the present application.

☐ Arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on .

☒ A Reply is attached hereto. Claim fee(s) are calculated as set forth below:

|                       | TOTAL<br>NUMBER OF<br>CLAIMS<br>PREVIOUSLY<br>FILED | TOTAL<br>NUMBER OF<br>CLAIMS<br>BEING FILED<br>HEREWITH | NUMBER<br>EXTRA | RATE     | FEE    |
|-----------------------|---|---|-----------------|----------|--------|
| Total Claims          | 12  | 11  | 0               | x\$50 =  | \$0.00 |
| Independent<br>Claims | 4   | 4   | 0               | x\$200 = | \$0.00 |
| TOTAL CLAIM FEE(S)    |   |   |                 |          | \$0.00 |

☐ An Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) and PTO-1449 form(s) is/are attached hereto for the Examiner's consideration.

☐ Other:

☒ **Fees**

The required fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) as required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed, is enclosed herewith:

☐ \$395.00 - small entity

☒ \$790.00 - large entity

☒ The applicant(s) hereby petition(s) for an extension of two (2) months pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.17 and 1.136(a). The fee has been calculated as shown below:

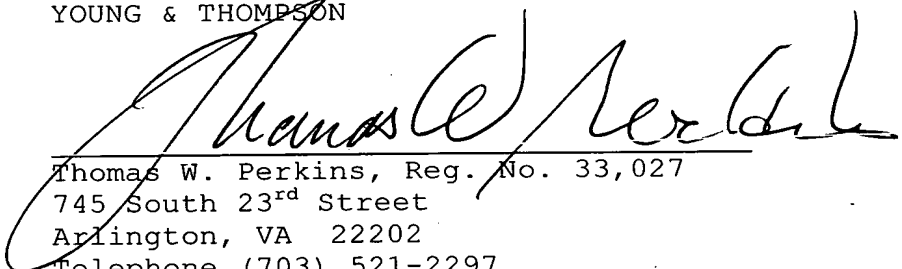
☒ NO extensions of time have been previously obtained in the prior application. Thus, a fee of \$450 is required for the full period of the above-requested extension of time.

- ☐ An extension of one (1) month(s) was previously requested and paid for on in the instant application. Thus, a fee of is required to obtain an additional two (2) month(s) extension.
- ☒ Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$1,240 for the applicable filing fee, additional claims fee, and/or extension fees.
- ☐ Please charge Deposit Account No. 25-0120 in the amount of \$0.00. A triplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 25-0120 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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